

REMARKS

Prior to examination, please amend the specification and claims as indicated.

Applicants amended the specification to provide the priority claim. Applicants amended claims 3, 4, 6-8, and 11-16, cancelled claims 2, 5, and 10, and added new claims 17 and 18.

Claims 1, 3, 4, 6-9, and 11-18 are presented for examination.

Applicants believe the application is in condition for allowance, which action is requested.

Applicants submit herewith a check for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 06275-451US1.

Respectfully submitted,

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